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The Capital Campaign

The Museum's first capital campaign successfully reached its goal of \$6.7 million before the building opened to the public. These monies were sought to construct the new library and galleries; to furnish and equip the new library; to finish the new galleries and remodel existing ones; to expand and renovate the old library area into conservation laboratories; and to provide an endowment to operate and maintain the expanded facilities.

Co-chairing the campaign committee were Mrs. Edward A. Kilroy, Jr., and George Oliva, Jr., of the Museum's Board of Trustees. Members of the committee were: James H. Dempsey, Jr., president of the Board, and George Bickford, Mrs. Montgomery L. Frazier, Edward B. Henning, George M. Humphrey II, James D. Ireland, E. Bradley Jones, Louis D. Kacalieff, Jack W. Lampl, Sherman E. Lee, S. Sterling McMillan III, Ruben F. Mettler, Mrs. Lucia S. Nash, Michael Sherwin, Mrs. Alfred M. Rankin, William S. Talbot, Evan H. Turner, Paul J. Vignos, Jr., Alton W. Whitehouse, Jr., and Norman W. Zaworski. Mrs. Frazier, as immediate past chairman of the Junior Council, represented the Council and two other organizations affiliated with the Museum which established special fund-raising efforts for the campaign: Cleveland Society for Contemporary Art (Mrs. Peter Galvin) and The Print Club of Cleveland (Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Worthington).

The campaign committee directed its primary efforts to members of The Cleveland Museum of Art, to the corporate community of the Greater Cleveland

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area, and to local and national foundations. Major gifts came from the National Endowment for the Arts; the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation; The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Michigan; The Andrews Foundation; The Cleveland Foundation; the G A R Foundation; the Ingalls Foundation; the Ireland Foundation; and the Elizabeth Ring Mather and William Gwinn Mather Fund. Of these, both the National Endowment and the Mellon gifts required matching donations. The Mellon grant was stipulated to endow annual costs of the Conservation Department, and the Kresge grant challenged the Museum to complete the campaign. Corporate donors numbered more than seventy Greater Cleveland businesses.

The new library bears the name Ingalls Library, in honor of two members of the Ingalls family who served the Museum as trustees. The dedicatory plaque at the entrance of the library reads: "Gifts by members of the Ingalls family inspired the building of this library in honor of Jane Taft Ingalls, Trustee 1944-1962, and Louise Harkness Ingalls, Trustee 1960-1978."

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